Interagency Wildfire Management Team Meeting Notes November 5, 2003

Note: The following IWMT notes are provided through the courtesy of Leslie Hansen.

Marla Rogers--Bandelier has cancelled the prescribed broadcast burns scheduled for this winter. They have determined that the project needs further NEPA compliance. The pile burns will continue as scheduled this winter.

Manny L'Esperance--EM&R is working with FWO-UI to get funding to install the fire road signs on LANL property. EM&R plans to winterize their fire vehicles next week. Fire conditions are borderline between moderate and high.

Doug Tucker--Craig Martin and John Hogan are currently in California looking at possible applications of volunteer task force work. The defensible space project is finished in Los Alamos, and is almost finished in White Rock. County fuels mitigations will continue as long as weather permits. The crew will be moving into Bayo Canyon next.

Leslie Hansen--As part of the RRES-ECO reorganization, Sam Loftin has been named project leader of the Applied Forestry Project. He and Randy Balice will be taking over the completion of the LANL Wildland Fire Management Plan.

Liz English--FWO-IP is currently completing the scopes of work for the FY04 thinning projects. They hope to start thinning Rendija Canyon in January.

The next IWMT meeting will be at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, November 19, at TA-21, Building 210 in the RRES-ECO Conference Room (142). The IWMT meets every other week and these meetings are open to the public. Contact Randy Balice (balice@lanl.gov, 665-1270) for further information, or to get on the distribution list for these meeting notes.